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SUBJ: PRELIMINARY COMMITMENT (PC) APPLICATION TO EXIMBANK

- 1. EXIMBANK HAS RECEIVED A PC APPLICATION FROM FLUOR CORPORATION, LOS ANGELES, COVERING FINANCING FOR ESTIMATED U.S. COSTS OF COPPER TAILINGS LEACH PROJECT PROPOSED BY NCHANGA CONSOLIDATED COPPER MINES. TOTAL PROJECT COSTS ESTIMATED AT \$134 MILLION, OF WHICH U.S. COSTS COULD REACH \$87 MILLION. PROJECT COMPLETION SCHEDULED FOR JUNE, 1980. EXIMBANK UNDERSTANDS OTHER BERNE UNION MEMBERS BEING APPROACHED BY THEIR RESPECTIVE SUPPLIERS.
- 2. ALTHOUGH EXIMBANK CONTINUES TO HAVE A CAUTIOUS ATTITUDE ON ADDITIONAL ZAMBIAN EXPOSURE, SUBJECT PROJECT HAS SOME ATTRACTION BECAUSE OF SUBSTANTIAL FOREIGN EXCHANGE BENEFITS AS COST OF COPPER PRODUCED ESTIMATED AT \$.28 PER LB. FURTHERMORE, LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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CITIBANK IS CONSIDERING LARGE COMMITMENT ON ORDER OF \$50 MILLION TO COVER LOCAL AND SOME U.S. COSTS.

3. EXIMBANK WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY COMMENTS ON FLUOR APPLICATION.
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